

IN THE DRAWINGS:

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REMARKS

In the outstanding Office action, claims 47-62 were presented for examination. Claims 47-50 and 52-56 were allowed. Claims 57-61 were rejected and claims 52, 57 and 62 were objected to.

The allowance of claims 47-50 and 52-56 is sincerely appreciated by applicant. In this amendment applicant has amended claims 51 and 57-62 have been amended. Accordingly, as will be discussed in detail below, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Specification

The specification has been amended to describe the elements added to Fig. 6 of the drawings. Support for this amendment may be found at page 11, lines 2-5 of applicant's original specification.

Claim Amendments

Claims 47, 51, 57, 58, 59, 61 and 62 have been amended, without narrowing, to correct minor clerical informalities.

Also, claims 57 and 60 have been amended to recite active method steps. The amendments made are believed to make explicit language that was inherent in the respective claim before amendment.

Furthermore, claim 61 has been amended to correct its dependency.

The Drawings

Fig 6 of the drawings has been amended to overcome the objection by showing the catheter and the various means recited in claim 55. Support for this amendment can be found at page 11, lines 2-5 of applicant's original specification.

Claim Objections

As explained above, claims 51, 57 and 62 have been amended to correct the minor clerical informalities and overcome the objections thereto

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112 Second Paragraph

Claims 57-61 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 second paragraph for allegedly being indefinite.

Without acquiescing to the rejection, and to expedite prosecution, claims 57 and 60 have been amended to set forth active method steps that provide an end result. Accordingly, claims 57-61, as now amended are believed to be in condition for allowance and allowance is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and the discussion relating thereto, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with applicant's representative would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned practitioner.

Respectfully submitted,

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